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## FALL

THE CWNA SPRING SHOW scheduled for May 18-20 at Denver Hilton promises to be bigger and better. All bourse space is sold and many exhibit applications are out, so there should be something for all.

To keep with the CWNA idea of improving the hobby, the show will include an educational forum on various subjects by nationally known figures in numismatics. Also a club workshop is now planned, which will address the club activities and offer a forum for exchange of ideas. The exact times, etc. will be included in show flyers and in releases to the clubs, so plan to attend now.

If you wish any details you may contact

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or your friendly CWNA

Remember any gain is returned to CWNA, since this is all CWNA show.

Come on out, look around,  
join CWNA, help us out,

AFTER AWHILE IT BECOMES difficult to avoid repetition in this type of column. Since things worth commenting on seem to change very little, I find myself re-discussing the points I have used before, so this time will cover a point that should be all inclusive

What are your club officers doing to insure the health of "your" club, both for today, as well as, the future? Is anyone being trained for each office to provide flow of new ideas and stability? Have you really implemented any new ideas? How much did your treasury increase? Do you consider the money yours or some part of it as "the hobby's"? How much did your membership increase? Are any newer members officers? Does the group represent a good cross-section of collectors, from young to retired, not just the extremes? Is coin collecting and numismatic education the theme of all the programs, or is anything to fill time o.k.? Does your club function as an isolated unit or is it active in the state and national organizations?

At this point you say  
"who cares"

That is the point.

THE FALL CWNA is now set for Boulder on Sept. 7-9. Should be a good show, so mark your calendar now. The show will be sponsored by the Boulder County Coin Club and held at the Harvest House. More of the details will follow.

LETTERS  
TO  
EDITOR

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## CWNA

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R.L.Davis

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THE FOLLOWING CONTINUES the CWNA policy of presenting to the membership reports for all board meetings--

Denver Oct. 29

-Reports from officers ----  
Pueblo to have open house  
Most clubs will hold elections.  
Colo. Sprgs. to hold show

-Newsletter ----  
Discussion of costs to have 6 or 8 pages. Five hundred copies would run \$80 for an eight page issue. Agreement was reached to leave it as a four page issue, but publish it 6 times per year. A request was made for items for publication, since the newsletter should be forum for all members to present an article.

-Junior membership ----  
Various ideas, such as, special auctions, board membership, special handling for coin shows, etc. A contest for essays was proposed. A conclusion was reached that really the needs of juniors were not well-known therefore efforts should be made to clarify this before any further action was taken. A motion to table stopped any further discussion.

-Medals ----  
Discussion of contest. The response from Bastian indicates they have no info on any of the early proposed design. Efforts to continue on the contest.

-Membership ----  
Ideas on increasing the number of new members. Motion to give clubs a free membership to auction off for the club treasury. Passed these will be distributed in the near future.

-Programs ----  
All officers urged to give talks for club programs and have all clubs urged to use A.N.A. certificates to recognize the efforts of all speakers.

-New business ----  
None

DUE TO SOMETHING OR OTHER we have erred. The CWNA contest rules for a design of a new medal described the present shape as hexagon, not as the octagon, so to be sure that all possible contestants are correctly informed the rules are restated below.

1.Competition is open to all except judging committee and immediate families.

2.The design for one side (obverse) of a medal shall

a)include any material of local or historic interest pertaining to the Colorado-Wyoming area.

b)include specific reference to centennial year of Colorado's statehood

c)be suitable for reproduction on a medal approximately one and one-half inches in diameter

d)be suitable for use with the present/slightly modified CWNA (octagon) medal as reverse.

3.The contestant shall submit one design (8 1/2 X 11, black on white)

4.All entries must be in the hands of the judging committee by Sept.1,1973 and become property of CWNA.

5.Entries will be judged on suitability for medal use, application of centennial theme and artistic design/ balance and decision of the judges will be final.

6.The entry declared winner will receive \$250 but should no entry be found suitable, no award will be given.

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CONFUSED- Seems the ANA has a couple of problems. First, the infernal computer did it again. First, second notices for dues at nearly the same time, then other problems in area of contribution, but is it possible the durn machine punched the non-standard set of holes in only the white pages of My library catalog?

SCHOLARSHIPS-The ANA states that seven scholarships are to be available for the ANA Summer Seminar. These were provided by various groups. Did your organization consider this as a way to use the "extra" funds?

HAVE YOU READ all of the previous issues? If so, didn't you have some opinion? CWNA would like to know. Ten minutes of your time, plus 8¢ will keep the group reflecting your opinion.

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1929 National Banknotes —  
The following is a list of the number of banks in Colorado and Wyoming that issued each denomination.

	Colo.	Wyo.
5 dollar	38	7
10 "	86	23
20 "	79	22
50 "	8	1
100 "	9	1

Total banks 93 23  
issuing

--G.Lewis



First reported half dollar from New Orleans Mint was dated 1839; note mintmark on obverse above date.

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THERE ARE undoubtedly hundreds of different varieties of military tokens that originated out of Vietnam. For almost 100 yrs. military tokens have been in use. First they were primarily used as a form of credit, but in recent years they have been used in vending machines, juke boxes, one-armed bandits and various amusement machines.

Since personnel stationed in Vietnam are paid in Military Payment Certificates (MPC), which cannot be used to operate machines and since the use of U.S. currency/coin of any kind is forbidden, the use of tokens to operate the machines became a necessity. To my knowledge a reasonably complete listing of these tokens issued for Vietnam has not been completed. Once it is I believe you will find that there will be scarce issues.

Some of these tokens are undoubtedly made in the United States, but by far a majority of them were made by the Seeburg Co. of Tokyo, Japan and carry an "S" trade mark in a small diamond-shaped form. The size of the tokens usually are as follows:

21 mm 5 cents

18 mm 10 cents

24 mm 25 cents

Most of the tokens are brass but some are plated brass to look like white metal.

Gary Lewis

## 1978

DON'T forget that CWNA will be making a bid to host the 1978 ANA Convention. All of the area numismatics would benefit, so let's get behind the idea and help.

The ANA at the February board meeting decided to participate actively in the two major Scout Jamborees to be held this year. One is scheduled for Moraine State Park near Pittsburgh Aug. 3-9, the other at Farragut State Park in northern Idaho Aug. 1-7.

This will be a golden opportunity to promote the advantage of coin collecting to tens of thousands of Scouts. A promotion will be done by adult volunteers staffing of a booth on the Merit Badge Midway. Volunteers are asked to contact ANA Headquarters, if interested.

-- G. Lewis

## NEW CLUB

With the downhill trend seen in some clubs it is nice to announce a new club.

From their first meeting of two members, through a charter group of ten, to the membership of 27, it seems the American Numismatic Error Collectors is a reality. It is the first error club in the state. The club is headed by Mr. C.W. Lavine, who has provided programs at several of the clubs in the area. If errors are your thing please contact the club as follows:

Mr. C.W. Lavine  
1893 South Filbert Court  
Denver, Co 80222  
Phone 756-4092

The club meets first Tuesday 7:30 P.M. Alameda Sq. Shopping Center Mall 2200 West Alameda, Denver

Bill states "Education will be the order of the meeting for this club." Their major aim is to gain full official recognition of error collecting by the ANA.

CAN YOU READ the reverse of a dollar bill? On the reverse of your dollar bill you will find a seal with a picture of the American bald eagle. Here is an explanation of what it symbolizes:

Above the eagle's head is a "glory" containing 13 stars. The eagle's breast holds a shield with 13 stripes-- the symbol of a united nation. The right claws hold an olive branch with 13 leaves, representing peace, and the left a bundle of 13 arrows, symbolizing war. The head of the eagle is turned toward the olives, indicating a desire for peace. The words and symbols in thirteens represent the original thirteen states. The top of the shield is said to represent Congress, and the head of the bald eagle to represent the executive branch, and the nine tail feathers represent the judiciary. The Latin motto on a ribbon held in the beak of the Eagle "E Pluribus Unum" means "Out of many, One". On the left side of the bill is an unfinished pyramid, a symbol of material strength and a goal of perfection. Above the pyramid is a "glory" or burst of light with an eye inside a triangle, representing the eternal eye of God, and placing the spiritual above the material. At the top and around the edge, in Latin, is the motto "Annuit Coeptis," meaning, "He Has Favored Our Undertakings." The base of the pyramid bears the numerals MDCCLXXVI, or 1776, and below is the motto "Novus Ordo Seclorum," or "A New Order of the Ages."

How many times have you looked at a reverse of a dollar bill and wondered what it all meant?

Mark Moyer

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## EDUCATIONAL!!

### GRADING

PRF. = Proof  
BU = Brilliant Unc.  
Unc. = Uncirculated  
AU = Almost Unc.  
EF = Extra Fine  
AEF = Almost EF  
VF = Very Fine  
AVF = Almost VF  
F = Fine  
VG = Very Good  
G = Good  
+ = Better than  
P-L = Prooflike  
Obv./Rev.

### ABBREVIATIONS

Obv. = Obverse  
Rev. = Reverse  
ND = No Date  
MT = Mount trace  
S = Scarce  
R = Rare

### ERHALTUNGSGRADE

Folierte Platte  
Stempelglanz  
FDC  
Fast FDC  
Vorzuglich  
Fast Vz.  
Sehr Schon  
Fast ss.  
Schon  
Sehr Gut Erhalten  
Gut Erhalten

Ober  
Gleich P.P.  
Vord./Ruck.

### ABKURZUNGEN

Vorderseite  
Ruckseite  
Ohne Jahr  
Herkelapaur  
Selten  
Sehr Selten

NEXT

SHOW REPORT ?

NEWS ?

OPINIONS ?

CARTOONS ?

EDUCATION ?

FROM THE BOARD ?

MILLION DOLLAR GIVEAWAY ?

NONE OF THE ABOVE ?

ALL OF THE ABOVE ?

SOME OF THE ABOVE ?

TO CONTACT CWNA

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NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

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Any mail so addressed  
will be forwarded to  
individual concerned

Items available from  
CWNA secretary:

1. Club meeting list
2. Copies of by-laws
3. File of programs-  
Items are added from  
time to time, so  
write for latest info
4. Lists of present club  
officers
5. Membership applications

Much of this info is based  
on what the clubs provide  
so let's keep CWNA up-to-  
date. Many clubs find the  
listings valuable for con-  
tact, joint meetings, etc.

Keep us informed.

CLUB IDEAS ???

Have the winner of the door-  
prize give impromptu speech  
on his specialty.

Put names of those present  
and draw for talk next meet-  
ing.

Have each person give his  
forecast for 1973, in the  
area of coins.

Add a "question of the month"  
to bulletin and have discus-  
sion at meeting.

Did you ever notice more busi-  
ness is discussed at the  
"coffee break", than during  
business meeting. Maybe the  
meeting should be one long  
break?